

# Englewood Citizen

March/April 2011



## Hampden Hall celebrates five years in the spotlight

In March of 2006, the City of Englewood opened Hampden Hall, its new performance venue at the Englewood Civic Center. When it opened, Hampden Hall was billed as "the most versatile arts space in the south metro area" by Englewood's Cultural Arts Commission. Over the last five years it has proven to be versatile and popular, hosting hundreds of dramatic and musical performances, along with art exhibitions, public lectures, and community forums.



*Hampden Hall seats up to 190 for events ranging from plays to musical performances.*

Through a partnership with Englewood Arts (a local non-profit organization dedicated to the arts), Hampden Hall has showcased a classical concert series featuring well-known musicians. The series has grown in popularity over the years and now has a consistent audience of followers and many sold-out shows.

For information on events at Hampden Hall, visit the Calendar of Events on our website ([www.engagewoodgov.org](http://www.engagewoodgov.org)) and sort by "Hampden Hall Events."

In addition to the many programs sponsored by the City of Englewood at Hampden Hall, the venue is also available to rent for other performances and events. For additional information, visit our website ([www.engagewoodgov.org](http://www.engagewoodgov.org)) or call the City Manager's Office 303-762-2311.



*Englewood Arts holds regular classical concerts in Hampden Hall, like this one by Up Close and Musical, featuring musicians from the Colorado Symphony Orchestra.*

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## Save the Date!

*Citizen of the Year Celebration: May 9 • 7 pm*

Please plan to join us on Monday, May 9 at 7 pm as we honor long-time resident and volunteer Marty Mosman as the 2011 Englewood Citizen of the Year. The event will take place at the Malley Center. Watch for details in the May/June *Englewood Citizen* newsletter.

## City of Englewood

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**Bob McCaslin**  
City Council Member  
At Large

## Message from City Council

Civility is defined as “politeness, courtesy; a polite act or expression.” Recent events have brought to the forefront the need for a discussion on civility. Recall the recent shooting of Representative Gabrielle Giffords in Tucson, Arizona while she met with constituents outside a supermarket. State Representative David Balmer, from Centennial, was asked to apologize formally on the house floor. He has

been banned from visiting the Senate for the rest of the session due to inappropriate behavior. These examples cause us to address civility.

The signing of a pledge for civility has been brought before the Englewood City Council. This pledge has brought some resistance from a few city council members and citizens. We as a community cannot avoid tough but important issues. There are issues that divide our community and often tend to make discussions confrontational. The need to discuss or debate confrontational issues is a must. Constructive debate needs to be focused on the solution, not personal attacks against each other. Civility does not keep two differing sides from disagreeing. It does not stop the exchange of ideas or discussion. Public officials and citizens must be kept free from intimidation or threats when bringing forth an idea or disagreeing with one another. We must respect the differing opinions of others without distorting the facts with rumors or fabrications. Both sides in a disagreement need to make an honest effort to understand the opposing side’s point of view. As Stephen Covey explains in his book, *7 Habits of Highly Effective People*, “it is important to seek first to understand, not seek first to be understood.”

I believe we can agree to disagree in a civil manner with civility!

### Englewood chosen to participate in Community Energy Leadership Program

The City of Englewood was one of several communities chosen from across Colorado to participate in the Governor’s Energy Office’s recently launched Community Energy Leadership Program. The free program provides training resources and helps identify ways to “green” local government and advance the local economy using environmental strategies as a catalyst.

The Community Energy Leadership Program is funded through the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act.

## Englewood City Council

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Englewood City Council meetings are normally held the first and third Mondays of each month. The meetings are open to the public and interested parties are welcome to attend. If you plan to attend a meeting and you have a disability requiring auxiliary aids or services, please notify the City of Englewood (303-762-2405) at least 48 hours in advance of when services are needed.

# Join the Malley Fitness Challenge!

## April 4 through May 21

The Malley Senior Recreation Center is holding its annual fitness challenge from April 4 through May 21, 2011. The challenge is a great way to have fun, get fit, and enter for a chance to win weekly prizes!

### Here's how the challenge works:

Participants who work out at Malley at least three times a week (either in fitness classes or on their own) will be entered into the weekly prize drawings. People who work out three times a week for six weeks will be entered into the grand prize drawing.



## Fitness Challenge Kick-Off Event

**Monday, April 4**  
**8 am - Noon**

**Malley Center**  
3380 S. Lincoln Street

The Fitness Challenge will culminate with a party on Wednesday, May 25, which just happens to be National Senior Health and Fitness Day.

Stop by the front desk at Malley or check your spring *Play Englewood* activities guide for more information. Enroll at the front desk or attend a Fitness Challenge Kick-off Event on Monday, April 4 from 8 am to Noon at the Malley Center.

The Malley Center is located at 3380 South Lincoln Street.

## Hot Topics

### Notice of upcoming discussions & decisions

The following matters are tentatively scheduled to be discussed by City Council in the coming months. If you have an interest in any of these topics, please visit our website ([www.engagewoodgov.org](http://www.engagewoodgov.org)) or call 303-762-2310 for details on meeting schedules and opportunities for public input.

- **Billboard Zoning**

The Planning and Zoning Commission is discussing possible changes to the Sign Code related to billboards. The Commission's recommendations are tentatively scheduled to come before City Council in March or April.

- **Medical Marijuana**

Medical marijuana licensing and spacing requirements are being reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Commission and Liquor Licensing Authority. City Council is tentatively scheduled to consider the proposed requirements in April.

- **RV & Trailer Storage**

The Code Enforcement Advisory Committee is reviewing regulations on storage of recreational vehicles, off-road vehicles, and utility and boat trailers. Once the committee forwards its recommendation, City Council will discuss this further and render a decision.

- **Sign Code Update**

Provisions of the Sign Code pertaining to banners, temporary signage, and wall murals are being reviewed and revised.

## Free Tax Preparation Assistance

### Fridays through April 8

**9 am - 4 pm • by appointment**

Malley Center • 3380 S. Lincoln St.

Every Friday through April 8, volunteer tax counselors will offer free assistance with Federal and State income tax preparation at the Malley Center.

Please call the Malley Center at 303-762-2660 or stop by the front desk to book your appointment.

## Update on Landscape Regulations

Regulations apply to new developments and redevelopments

City Council has adopted updated landscape regulations that apply to new development and redevelopment projects within the City of Englewood. The updated regulations focus on the quality of materials and locating landscaping where it is most visible on a property.

To supplement the regulations, a Landscape Manual is available with worksheets to help you with the planning and design phases of your project. Complete landscaping regulations and a copy of the Landscape Manual

can be downloaded from the City of Englewood's website. Visit [www.engagewoodgov.org](http://www.engagewoodgov.org), then go "Inside City Hall" and to the Community Development Department (Zoning link).





## Mayor Woodward appointed to chair NLC committee



Mayor Jim Woodward

The National League of Cities (NLC) has named Englewood Mayor Jim Woodward as Chair of its First Tier Suburbs Council. This

subcommittee works to address the unique challenges faced by suburban communities adjacent to major metropolitan areas.

Mayor Woodward looks forward to working with his counterparts in other first tier suburbs across the country. "It is a real honor to be appointed as the 2011 chair of this national council" he stated. "I believe understanding the larger challenges and potential benefits of our city provides me the opportunity to better serve the citizens and businesses of Englewood."

The National League of Cities is the nation's oldest and largest organization devoted to strengthening and promoting cities as centers of opportunity, leadership, and governance. NLC serves as a resource and advocate for 19,000 cities, towns, and villages, representing more than 218 million Americans.

The *Englewood Citizen* newsletter is published every other month by the City of Englewood to provide residents and businesses with news and information about the City. If you have questions or comments, please call the City Manager's office at 303-762-2316. This newsletter is available in alternative format upon request.

**Web site:** [www.engagewoodgov.org](http://www.engagewoodgov.org)

**E-mail:** [info@engagewoodgov.org](mailto:info@engagewoodgov.org)

## Malley Center to host Expo on "Ideas & Options for Life"

**Thursday, April 7 • 4 - 7 pm**

This expo will provide comprehensive resources and solutions for the changes and challenges senior adults in transition and their families may experience as they plan for the future. See your spring *Play Englewood* activities guide or call the Malley Center at 303-762-2660 for details.

**Malley Senior Recreation Center • 3380 S. Lincoln Street**

## If I were Mayor...

*Colorado Municipal League holds essay contest for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Graders*

The Colorado Municipal League (CML) has announced its annual essay contest that encourages young people to learn about the services provided by their local governments. The statewide contest asks middle-schoolers to ponder what they would do if they were a Mayor trying to explain why city government is important to a community.

Englewood's Mayor, Jim Woodward, is a strong supporter of the essay contest, now in its third year. He has offered to share his first-hand knowledge about Englewood's city government with any student who is interested in entering the contest. Students can e-mail Mayor Woodward at [jwoodward@engagewoodgov.org](mailto:jwoodward@engagewoodgov.org) to set up an appointment.

This year's essay contest topic is: "During a recent council meeting a resident raises her hand and asks why citizens should care about local government. She doesn't think city services have any impact on the quality of her life or the

lives of her two young children. If you were mayor, how would you respond?"

Winners of the essay contest will receive \$500 to establish a scholarship account with CollegeInvest and will have an opportunity to attend CML's annual conference in Vail this summer.

The contest is open to all Colorado students enrolled in the 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grades during the 2010/11 school

year. Students who are home-schooled are also eligible. Students interested in entering the contest can download more information and the official entry form from CML's website ([www.cml.org](http://www.cml.org)) or from Englewood's website ([www.engagewoodgov.org](http://www.engagewoodgov.org)).

CML is a non-profit, nonpartisan organization that has served and represented Colorado's cities and towns since 1923. CML provides training and resources for elected officials and municipal staff, helping them better serve their municipality and its residents.

Mayor Woodward has offered to share his first-hand knowledge with any student who is interested in entering the contest.

## Library to host Colorado Author Open House

The Englewood Public Library will welcome more than 60 Colorado authors at its 12<sup>th</sup> Annual "Meet the Faces Behind the Books" Author Open House

### Author Open House

**Sunday, April 17  
1 - 3 pm**

**Englewood Library**  
1000 Englewood Pkwy.

on Sunday, April 17 from 1 to 3 pm.

Visitors at the open house will have an opportunity to meet

the authors and have their books signed. Many of the authors' books will be available for sale at the Library during the open house. Visit our website ([www.Englewoodgov.org](http://www.Englewoodgov.org)) for a list of authors attending the open house.

The Englewood Library is located on the first floor of the Englewood Civic Center at 1000 Englewood Parkway.

### Free! Workshops for first-time homebuyers

**Wednesday, March 9**

**Wednesday, May 11**

**5:30-9:30 pm**

**Englewood Civic Center**

2<sup>nd</sup> Fl. Community Room, 1000 Englewood Pkwy.

Register online at the Colorado Housing Assistance Corporation's website ([www.coloradohousingassistance.org](http://www.coloradohousingassistance.org)) or call 303-572-9445, ext. 3 and leave your name and number. For general information on the class, call Englewood's Community Development Department at 303-762-2349.

## Library welcomes new director

Englewood's new Library Director, Dorothy Hargrove, began her post at the Englewood Public Library on February 1, 2011. She replaces Hank Long, who served as Library Director from 1990 until his retirement in December, 2010.

Ms. Hargrove has 32 years of experience in library service, including 16 years in a management capacity. Her most recent post was at the Douglas County Library District, where she managed the Highlands Ranch and Roxborough branches. She has also held positions at the Longmont Public Library, Denver Public Library, Arapahoe County Library District, and a previous stint at Englewood Public Library as a Reference Librarian during the mid-1990s.

Dorothy Hargrove has a Masters degree in Library Science from the University of Denver and an MBA from DU's Daniels College of Business.



*Dorothy Hargrove, Englewood's new Library Director.*

Ms. Hargrove's key qualifications include an emphasis on providing excellent customer services, grant-writing, building strong volunteer programs and citizen support groups, planning, budgeting, team-building, and developing creative cultural programming.

## Utilities crews to flush water mains the week of April 18<sup>th</sup>

During the week of April 18, Englewood's the Utilities Department will conduct water main flushing in all Englewood neighborhoods. This annual "spring cleaning" helps clear out the sediment and residue that have built up in the water mains throughout the year.

The 2011 flushing project will begin Monday, April 18, and will continue through that week. Crews will flush the water mains throughout the entire City, working around the clock until all mains are cleaned. Crews are not able to provide residents with prior notification of their daily schedules due to the nature of the project and the limited time available to complete it.

Water service will not be interrupted, but it is possible that some customers may notice small amounts of residue in their water during the flushing process. If you experience discolored water, run the cold water until the residue clears.

Please contact the Englewood Utilities Department at 303-762-2635 if you have questions about the flushing process.

### Tip for customers:

If you experience discolored water while the mains are being flushed, run cold water until the residue clears.

# News from Neighborhood Services

## Updated regulations on golf cars, low-powered scooters, and toy vehicles

*by Traffic Enforcement Supervisor Sergeant O'Connor*

As a result of new regulations recently adopted by City Council, electric golf cars are now allowed on certain City of Englewood streets. The change was prompted by a resident who requested that City Council consider modifying its ordinances to allow such travel.

The request led to a complete review by the Englewood Transportation Advisory Committee of regulations for electric golf cars, low-powered scooters, and toy vehicles. Following its review, the Committee recommended that City Council update the regulations to allow electric golf cars on certain roadways.

The change allows for a greener alternative for residents who wish to curb fuel consumption in their local errands.

The ordinance also addresses safety, licensing, and insurance requirements related to electric golf cars and low-powered scooters. An overview of the requirements covered by the ordinance is included below.

### Electric Golf Cars

Golf cars used on City streets or roadways must be powered by electricity and must meet certain safety standards and equipment requirements. All golf car drivers must be licensed and insured and their golf cars must display a City permit sticker.

The required permit calls for a safety inspection of the vehicle every three years. The Englewood Police Department will conduct inspections by appointment Tuesdays through Fridays from 8 am to 3 pm. Details on the inspection requirements are posted on our website ([www.Englewoodgov.org](http://www.Englewoodgov.org)) and are available from the Traffic Enforcement Bureau. To schedule an appointment, or if you need additional information, please contact Sergeant Mike O'Connor at 303-762-2432.

### Toy Vehicles

Toy vehicles such as mini bikes, "pocket" bikes, kamikaze boards, go-peds, and stand-up scooters are not permitted on public roadways or sidewalks in the City of Englewood.

### Low-Powered Scooters

Low-powered scooters (under 50cc gasoline-powered or 4,476 watts electric-powered) are allowed on all streets and roadways in the City, provided that they comply with State registration and safety requirements and do not travel in excess of 40 miles per hour. Riders of low-powered scooters must be licensed and insured.

For additional details on the updated regulations, visit the Englewood Police Department's Traffic Enforcement Bureau web pages at [www.Englewoodgov.org](http://www.Englewoodgov.org) (under "Inside City Hall").

## Police Citizens' Academy

The Spring 2011 Englewood Police Citizens' Academy will be held from 6 to 9 pm every Tuesday from March 29 through May 24.

If you are interested in participating, applications are available on our website ([www.Englewoodgov.org](http://www.Englewoodgov.org)) under Police, Community Relations. Call Community Relations Specialist Toni Arnoldy at 303-762-2490 for details. The deadline for applications is March 15.

## Coffee with a Cop

Join officers from the Englewood Police Department for coffee and discussion.

**Wednesday, March 16  
9-11 am**

Meet Patrol Officers at  
**Mile High Coffee**  
871 W. Englewood Parkway

**Tuesday, April 12  
9-11 am**

Meet the Investigations  
Bureau at **Starbucks**  
Floyd & Broadway

## Citizen Self-Defense Class offered: Saturday, May 7, 2011 • 9 am - 3 pm

The Englewood Police Department is offering this free class to residents interested in learning self-defense tactics. Space is limited. To register, contact Community Relations Specialist Toni Arnoldy at 303-762-2490.

## Hole-n-One Junior Golf Program

**Register now** for the Hole-n-One Junior Golf Program (ages 5-15) at Broken Tee Englewood Golf Course, now in its 12<sup>th</sup> year! Sessions start June 6. Check your spring *Play Englewood* activities guide or visit [www.Englewoodrec.org](http://www.Englewoodrec.org) to register, or call the golf course at 303-762-2673 for details.

## New Business Update

The City of Englewood welcomes the following businesses to Englewood:

### Danny Cash

3378 S. Broadway • 888-346-8728  
[www.dannycash.com](http://www.dannycash.com)

After nine years of manufacturing his world-class hot sauce in Englewood, Danny Cash decided to open a retail store featuring hot sauces, condiments, and mixers.

### Guitar Emporium

4360 S. Broadway  
303-936-8850  
[www.guitaremporium.net](http://www.guitaremporium.net)

In business since 1972 providing lessons, repairs, and sales, Guitar Emporium recently relocated from Denver to Englewood.

### Stepping Stones Academy & Family Center

451 Englewood Parkway, Suite A  
303-781-8900

[www.ssamontessori.com](http://www.ssamontessori.com)

A new Montessori school has opened in Englewood, focusing on an early learning environment that is stimulating, educational, hands-on, diverse, and fun.

## Parks Division to celebrate Arbor Day by giving away free trees

Englewood's Parks Division is once again celebrating Arbor Day by giving away free tree seedlings to Englewood residents.

This year's tree give-away will take place on Saturday, April 16 from 8 am to noon in the parking lot at Cushing Park, located at 700 West Dartmouth Avenue. (The parking lot is accessible via Eastman Avenue.)

The trees will be given away on a first-come, first-served basis and will include an assortment of flowering trees suitable for Colorado's climate. Parks staff and members of Keep Englewood Beautiful will be available to answer questions about the different varieties.

## Arbor Day

Saturday, April 16  
8 am to Noon  
at Cushing Park  
700 W. Dartmouth Avenue

The City of Englewood has been named a "Tree City USA" by the National Arbor Day Foundation for 26 consecutive years. The Foundation bestows this recognition to cities across the United States who place an emphasis on the importance of trees in an urban environment.



TREE CITY USA

## Fire Safety for Seniors

Older Americans are particularly at risk of injury or death from fire. The Englewood Fire Department reminds residents to exercise caution when smoking, cooking, or heating your home. For your well-being and others you love,

practice fire-safe behaviors, maintain smoke alarms, and develop and practice a fire escape plan. For more information on fire escape plans and additional safety tips, visit the Fire Department online at [www.Englewoodgov.org](http://www.Englewoodgov.org).



## The Great Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 16 • 10 am  
Miller Field • 3600 S. Elati Street

Bring your basket and hop on down for fun and prizes! (For youth 1 - 8 years of age.) Gate opens at 9:30 am; the Egg Hunt begins promptly at 10 am. \$1 per child.

In the event of bad weather, call the Recreation Activities Hotline at 303-762-2598. If it becomes necessary to cancel the event due to weather, it will be rescheduled to Saturday, April 23.



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## Upcoming Events

Sun. March 6	<b>Teen Book Trailer Awards (for ages 12-18)</b> Englewood Library - Call 303-762-2555 or stop by reference desk to register.	2-4 pm
Mon. March 7	<b>Englewood City Council Meeting</b> Englewood Civic Center – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Sat. March 19	<b>Englewood Arts Presents the Boulder Quartet (Schubert)</b> Hampden Hall, 1000 Englewood Pkwy. ( <a href="http://www.engagewoodarts.org">www.engagewoodarts.org</a> for tickets & info.)	2 pm
Mon. March 21	<b>Englewood City Council Meeting</b> Englewood Civic Center – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Wed. March 23	<b>David Taylor Dance Theatre presents "The Edge"</b> Hampden Hall, 1000 Englewood Parkway ( <a href="http://www.dtdt.org">www.dtdt.org</a> for information.)	7 pm
Thur. March 31	<b>Neighborhood Watch/Volunteer Meeting</b> Englewood Civic Center - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Community Room (303-762-2490 for details)	6 pm
Mon. April 4	<b>Malley Fitness Challenge Kick-Off Event</b> Malley Senior Recreation Center, 3380 S. Lincoln Street (See page 3.)	8 am - Noon
Mon. April 4	<b>Englewood City Council Meeting</b> Englewood Civic Center – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Thur. April 7	<b>Ideas &amp; Options for Life Expo</b> Malley Senior Recreation Center, 3380 S. Lincoln Street (See page 4.)	4 - 7 pm
Sat. April 9	<b>Englewood Arts Presents the Extasis Tango Ensemble</b> Hampden Hall, 1000 Englewood Pkwy. ( <a href="http://www.engagewoodarts.org">www.engagewoodarts.org</a> for tickets & info.)	2 pm
Sat. April 16	<b>Arbor Day Tree Give-Away</b> Cushing Park, 700 W. Dartmouth (See page 7 for details)	8 am - Noon
Sat. April 16	<b>Great Egg Hunt</b> Miller Field, 3600 S. Elati Street (See page 7 for details.)	10 am
Sun. April 17	<b>Colorado Author Open House</b> Englewood Public Library, 1000 Englewood Pkwy. (See page 5)	1 - 3 pm
Mon. April 18	<b>Englewood City Council Meeting</b> Englewood Civic Center – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm
Sat. April 23	<b>Englewood Arts Presents the CSO Wind Ensemble (Mozart)</b> Hampden Hall, 1000 Englewood Pkwy. ( <a href="http://www.engagewoodarts.org">www.engagewoodarts.org</a> for tickets & info.)	2 pm
Sat. April 30	<b>Englewood Unleashed's Annual Chili Cook-Off Fundraiser</b> Malley Center, 3380 S. Lincoln St. ( <a href="http://www.engagewoodunleashed.org">www.engagewoodunleashed.org</a> for details)	11 am - 2 pm
Mon. May 2	<b>Englewood City Council Meeting</b> Englewood Civic Center – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Council Chambers	7:30 pm

Due to space constraints, we don't have room to list all meetings or events. Please check the Calendar of Events on [www.engagewoodgov.org](http://www.engagewoodgov.org) for a complete listing.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Epic Spring Cleaning Event

A benefit for Inter-Faith  
Community Services and  
ARC Thrift Stores

**Saturday, April 30**  
**9 am to 2 pm**

### Home Depot

3000 W. Belleview in Littleton  
(east end parking lot)

This event is a great way to clean out your closets and benefit those less fortunate in our communities. Just bring your gently used clothing, housewares, and furniture to the drop-off site. Non-perishable food items will also be accepted.

The City of Englewood is partnering on this fund-raiser event with the City of Littleton, the City of Sheridan, and South Suburban Park and Recreation District. For information on Inter-Faith Community Services, visit [www.ifcs.org](http://www.ifcs.org). For information on ARC Thrift, visit [www.arcthrift.com](http://www.arcthrift.com).